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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit : 3636
Applicants : David S. Teppo et al.
Appln. No. : 09/885,877
Filing Date : June 20, 2001
Confirmation No. : 4510
For : **SHAPE-CHANGING SUPPORT, SUCH AS FOR SEATING**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER §1.111

In response to the Office Action dated December 20, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 26. ✓

Please amend claim 3 as follows:

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1. A back construction for a seating unit comprising:
a flexible back panel configured to support a seated user's torso; and
a bladder attached to the flexible back panel so that when the bladder expands in one direction and simultaneously shortens in a different direction, the back panel is flexed to a different shape.
 2. The back construction defined in claim 1, wherein the bladder is elongated, and wherein the different direction that shortens extends parallel a length of the elongated bladder.
 3. (Amended) The back construction defined in claim 2, wherein the one direction is parallel a thickness direction.
 4. The back construction defined in claim 3, wherein the length extends in a vertical direction.



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Transmitted herewith are an Amendment Under §1.111 (12 pages) and a Return Postcard in the above-identified application.

Any fee for additional claims has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Col. 1		Col. 2	Col. 3	Small Entity		Other Than A Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee	Rate	Add'l Fee
Total Claims	26	Minus	26	= 0	x \$9	\$0.00	x \$ 18	\$0.00
Independent Claims	3	Minus	3	= 0	x \$42	\$0.00	x \$ 84	\$0.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims \$140						\$0.00	x \$280	\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$0.00		\$0.00


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1. ☐ Small entity status of this application 37 CFR §§1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted or is enclosed.
2. ☒ No additional fee is required.
3. ☐ A check in the amount of \$ is attached.
4. ☒ Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16 2463. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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